

U. S. Patent Application No. 10/031,876  
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**Remarks**

Applicants file a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) contemporaneously herewith.

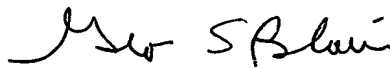
Accordingly, applicants respectfully request entry and consideration of the claims as of the response dated May 26, 2004, reconsideration of the application, and passage of the application to allowance.

If the Examiner believes that contact with Applicants' attorney would be advantageous toward the disposition of this case, the Examiner is herein requested to call Applicants' attorney at the number noted below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0289.

Respectfully submitted,

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